

Please amend the present application as follows:

Claims

The following is a copy of Applicant's claims that identifies language being added with underlining ("____") and language being deleted with strikethrough ("~~_____~~") or brackets ("~~[]~~"), as is applicable:

1. (Currently amended) A method for locating a ~~videe~~ file, the method comprising:

identifying a key image;

identifying a ~~plurality of video files~~ multi-mode image file that comprises both low-resolution images and at least one high-resolution image; and

searching the ~~plurality of video files~~ multi-mode image file for a match with the key image using an image comparison technology.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the key image is contained in a still image file.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein identifying a key image comprises identifying at least one of an identity of the still image file and a location of the still image file.

4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the key image was not originally extracted from ~~any of the plurality of video files~~ the multi-mode image file.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein identifying a plurality of video files multi-mode image file comprises identifying at least one of an identity of the plurality of video files multi-mode image file and a location of a plurality of video files the multi-mode image file.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein searching comprises executing a pattern matching algorithm.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein searching comprises executing at least one of a normalization algorithm, a correlation algorithm, a geometric pattern matching algorithm, and a least squares fit algorithm.

9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
identifying to a user a located video file multi-mode image file that is a match for the key image ~~to a user~~.

10. (Currently amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising:
identifying to the user at least one timestamp within a video file the multi-mode image file that indicates a match.

11. (Currently amended) A system for locating a video file, the system comprising:

means for identifying a key image;

means for identifying ~~video files~~ multi-mode image files to be searched, ~~the multi-mode image files comprising both low-resolution images and at least one high-resolution image~~; and

means for automatically comparing the key image to frames high-resolution images of the ~~video files~~ multi-mode image files to search for a ~~video file~~ multi-mode image file that comprises image content contained in the key image.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein the means for automatically comparing comprise a pattern-matching algorithm.

14. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11, further comprising:

means for identifying a ~~video~~ multi-mode image files that was are determined to contain image content that is contained within the key image.

15-19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently amended) A ~~video search manager stored on a computer-readable medium~~ that stores a search manager and configured for execution by a user computing device, the manager comprising:

logic configured to identify an image that is to be used as a key image in a search for a stored ~~video~~ file;

logic configured to identify ~~a group of stored video files~~ multi-mode image files to be searched, the multi-mode image files comprising both low-resolution images and at least one high-resolution image; and

logic configured to search the ~~group of stored video files~~ multi-mode image files to identify at least one ~~video~~ file that contains image content contained within the key image.

21. (Original) The manager of claim 20, wherein the logic configured to identify an image comprises logic configured to receive a user's selection of an image being shown to the user.

22. (Currently amended) The manager of claim 20, wherein the logic configured to identify ~~a group of video files~~ multi-mode image files comprises logic configured to receive a user's selection of the ~~group of video files~~ multi-mode image files.

23. (Currently amended) The manager of claim 22, wherein the logic configured to receive a user's selection of the ~~group of video files~~ multi-mode image files comprises logic configured to receive the user's selection of a directory containing a plurality of ~~video files~~ multi-mode image files.

24-25. (Canceled)

26. (Currently amended) The manager of claim 20, wherein the logic configured to search comprises logic to only search high-resolution images embedded within the ~~stored video files~~ multi-mode image files to identify at least one high-resolution image that matches the key image.

27. (Canceled)

28. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein searching the multi-mode image file for a match comprises only comparing the key image with high-resolution images contained in the multi-mode file.